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1906-08 D.L. Wmk. Types of 1902-03		Plate Unused		Block used	
Scott's		Block	Block	used	used
314	1c Green	11.00	4.25	.95	.85
320	2c Carmine	14.50	4.25	1.00	.90
	2c Lake	16.00	4.00	1.00	.85

1908-1909 D. L. Wmk. Types of 1908		Plate Unused		Block used	
Scott's		Block	Block	used	used
343	1c Green	2.75	.98	.12	.10
344	2c Carmine	5.50	1.90	.28	.15
345	3c Violet	4.40	1.10	.95	.75
346	4c Brown	4.50	1.10	.95	.75
347	5c Blue	9.00	1.85	1.20	.85

1909 Commemoratives (Carmine)		Plate Unused		Block used	
Scott's		Block	Block	used	used
368	2c Lincoln	17.50	7.50	1.75	1.45
371	2c Alaska	15.00	7.75	1.75	1.35
373	2c Fulton	16.00	8.25	2.00	1.50

1911 S. L. Wmk. Types of 1908 (One Cent)		Plate Unused		Block used	
Scott's		Block	Block	used	used
383	1c Green	3.00	.60	.10	.09
384	2c Carmine	6.00	.10	.05	.05

1912 S. L. Wmk. New Types (1912) (1 Cent 1)		Plate Unused		Block used	
Scott's		Block	Block	used	used
408	1c Green	1.00	.42	.07	.04
409	2c Carmine	1.50	.65	.06	.04

1916-17 No Wmk. Same Types Flat Plate		Plate Unused		Block used	
Scott's		Block	Block	used	used
481	1c Green	.95	.35	.08	.05
482	2c Carmine	1.20	.55	.14	.14
483	3c Vio. T. I.	3.65	1.80	.44	.39
484	3c Vio. T. II	4.25	2.40	.60	.48

1918-1920 No. Wmk. Same Types Offset P'tigs		Plate Unused		Block used	
Scott's		Block	Block	used	used
531	1c Green	7.25	4.50	1.10	.87
532a	2c Car. T. IV	8.50	4.80	1.20	.90
532b	2c Car. T. V	27.00	16.00	4.00	2.50
532c	2c Car. T. Va	4.85	2.70	.60	.45
532d	2c Car. T. VI	10.00	6.00	1.50	1.00
535	3c Violet	6.75	3.75	.90	.90

1923-26 New Types 1922 Issue, Flat Plate		Plate Unused		Block used	
Scott's		Block	Block	used	used
575	1c Green	5.50	2.10	.52	.48
576	1 1/2c Brn.	1.20	.50	.13	.12
577	2c Carm.	2.20	.60	.15	.14
631	1 1/2c Brn. (4)	3.25	1.20	.30	.32

1893 COLUMBIAN EXPOSITION ISSUE		Plate Unused		Block used	
Scott's		Block	Block	used	used
230	1c Blue	1.65	.14	.01	.01
231	2c Violet	2.75	.20	.01	.01
232	3c Green	.53	.42	.01	.01

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233	4c Ultramarine	.85	.10
234	5c Chocolate	6.85	.82
235	6c Purple	5.00	.90
236	8c Magenta	6.00	.60
237	10c Black Brn.	.90	.10
238	15c Dark Green	2.60	1.60
239	30c. Or. Brn.	4.90	2.35
240	50c Slate Blue	4.80	3.75

1898 OMAHA, OR TRANS-MISS. ISSUE		Plate Unused		Block used	
Scott's		Block	Block	used	used
285	1c Green	.32	.11		
286	2c Copper Red	2.25	.25	.02	.02
287	4c Orange	1.55	.65		
288	5c Dull Blue	1.70	.75		
289	8c Violet Brn.	22.00	1.85	1.05	
290	10c Gray Violet	2.00	.45		
291	50c Sage Green	11.50	3.25		

1901 PAN AM. ISSUE (Center Black)		Plate Unused		Block used	
Scott's		Block	Block	used	used
294	1c Green	1.45	.23	.06	
295	2c Carmine	1.75	.25	.02	
296	4c Chocolate	1.20	.27		
297	5c Ultramarine	1.15	.66		
298	8c Brn. Violet	2.10	1.50		
299	10c Yellow Brown	1.85	.66		

1904 LOUISIANA PURCHASE		Plate Unused		Block used	
Scott's		Block	Block	used	used
323	1c Green	.38	.15		
324	2c Carmine	3.85	.35	.04	
325	3c Violet	1.65	1.25		
326	5c Blue	2.30	.88		
327	10c Brown	4.75	1.05		

1907 JAMESTOWN EXPOSITION		Plate Unused		Block used	
Scott's		Block	Block	used	used
328	1c Green	1.95	.28	.12	
329	2c Carmine	2.00	.38	.05	
330	5c Blue	2.20	1.00		

1909 COMMEMORATIVES (Carmine)		Plate Unused		Block used	
Scott's		Block	Block	used	used
367	2c Lincoln	1.00	.18	.05	
369	2c on Bluish	8.00			
370	2c Alaska-Yukon	.42	.05		
372	2c Hudson-Fulton	1.10	.18	.10	

1912-13 PANAMA-PACIFIC ISSUE P. 12		Plate Unused		Block used	
Scott's		Block	Block	used	used
397	1c Green	1.50	.30	.03	
398	2c Carmine	.30	.01		
399	5c Blue	2.10	.50		
400a	10c Orange	6.70	.45		
400	10c Or. Yellow	2.75	.42		

1915 Same but Perf. 10		Plate Unused		Block used	
Scott's		Block	Block	used	used
401	1c Green	.85	.17		
402	2c Carmine	19.00	4.25	.06	
403	5c Blue	4.25	.17		
		5.00	.55		

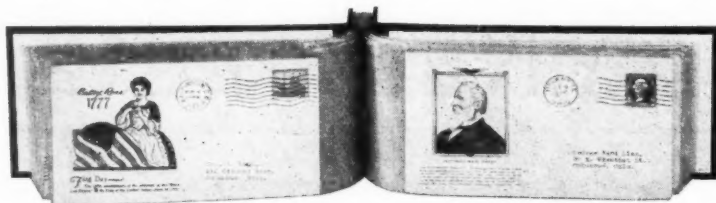
1919 VICTORY ISSUE		Plate Unused		Block used	
Scott's		Block	Block	used	used
537	3c Violet	1.55	.29	.14	

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## Five Million First Day Covers

**W**HEN the last of the 35 Famous Americans stamps will have appeared next October, it is expected that a total of 5,000,000 first day covers will have been sent of this series. Below we print the figures of first day sale of the first 25 stamps issued. The 25 stamps alone accounted for nearly 4,000,000 covers and rolled up first day sales of stamps with a face value of nearly a third of a million dollars. It is evident from the small difference between first day sales of the various series that non-philatelic sendings are not a large portion of most first day mailings. Despite the large volume of covers, the average number sent was less

than usual for commemoratives, accounted for by the rapid issuance of the first 25. When the Pony Express stamp was issued April 3 355,438 covers were sent from St. Joseph and Sacramento combined. 182,401 were sent of the Pan-American Union stamp.

That Washington, D. C. is no better as a first day city has again been proven. When the series was first announced, several interested persons there proceeded to try to have the entire series issued first day there. The poor showing of the 2c Sousa and 5c Reed stamps, despite inclusion of mail orders to the Agency, answer these people.

Many collectors did not send the Authors and Poets covers and after the stamps were seen and appreciated the demand for these increased, but there should be no great shortage.

The first 25 of the Famous Americans appeared in rapid succession, almost irreverently so quickly did they appear. The first day sales were the occasion of local celebrations and ceremonies which followed a pattern almost identical. Relatives, sometimes rather distant, of the persons depicted were sold the first sheet and local newspapers printed the picture of this sale with about as much attention as one of the lesser homicides.

On May 1 the *Chicago Daily News* in an editorial page cartoon pictured in the "awful truth" just how many of us felt by the time June 10 rolled around and we knew we were in for a slight breathing spell at last. It shows a rear view of a rapidly walking Postmaster General, a campaign banner in his hand, a path of new issues in his wake, and a collector with tongue hanging out and patch on trousers running with opened album trying to keep up with the new issues.

Out in Boulder, Colorado lives a Dr. Walter K. Reed, distant relative of the military medico depicted on the 5c Scientists and some friend of his stuck one of these stamps on a post card, wrote "Boulder, Colo." beneath and on April 18th it was received at the Boulder office and promptly delivered to the namesake.

In the March issue of *Pencil Points*, Talbot F. Hamlin, architect and "art authority" scathingly criticised the designs of our stamps, using some rather bitter adjectives including "vile colors," "stupidly conventional designs," etc.

The Postmaster General delivered at most of the first day sales speeches which were of a general eulogistic tone concerning the person commemorated. He was joined in these appearances by the local postmaster, relatives of the late lamented, local political bigwigs and civic celebrities in general. The ceremonies were very much like the laying of a cornerstone, post office dedication and the like, but crowds turned out for all.

Even *Life* magazine commented editorially upon the astuteness of the 10c Booker Washington issue, terming the stamp "a shrewd Democratic coup." Coup or not, it proved very popular with the negroes and despite the handicap of using a 10c stamp on letter mail, sales were heavy of this stamp depicting for the first time one of their race.

AUTHORS				
	Stamp	Covers Sent	Stamps Sold	Face Value
1c	Irving .....	170,969	657,337	\$ 6,573.37
2c	Cooper .....	154,836	284,324	5,686.48
3c	Emerson .....	185,148	338,017	10,140.51
5c	Alcott .....	134,325	213,620	10,681.00
10c	Clemens .....	150,492	207,648	20,764.80
	Total .....	795,770	1,700,946	\$53,846.16
POETS				
1c	Longfellow .....	160,508	616,164	\$ 6,161.64
2c	Whittier .....	148,423	390,355	7,807.10
3c	Lowell .....	148,735	265,688	7,970.64
5c	Whitman .....	134,185	228,312	11,415.60
10c	Riley .....	131,760	192,794	19,279.40
	Total .....	723,611	1,693,313	\$52,634.38
EDUCATORS				
1c	Mann .....	186,854	629,576	\$ 6,295.76
2c	Hopkins .....	140,286	370,605	7,412.10
3c	Eliot .....	155,708	301,506	9,045.18
5c	Willard .....	140,483	247,032	12,351.60
10c	Washington .....	163,507	233,363	23,336.30
	Total .....	786,838	1,782,082	\$58,440.40
SCIENTISTS				
1c	Audubon .....	144,123	551,760	\$ 5,517.60
2c	Long .....	158,128	363,862	7,277.24
3c	Burbank .....	147,033	253,497	7,604.91
5c	Reed .....	154,464	*297,850	*14,892.50
10c	Addams .....	132,375	294,000	29,400.00
	Total .....	736,123	1,760,969	\$64,692.25
*Note—150,311 of these 5c stamps were sold at the Philatelic Agency.				
COMPOSERS				
1c	Foster .....	183,461	651,146	\$ 6,511.46
2c	Sousa .....	131,422	326,130	6,522.60
3c	Herbert .....	168,200	1,234,128	37,023.84
5c	MacDowell .....	135,155	210,208	10,510.40
10c	Nevin .....	121,951	189,040	18,904.00
	Total .....	740,189	2,610,652	\$79,472.30
	Total .....	3,782,531	9,547,962	\$309,085.49
	Average .....	151,301	381,918	\$12,363.41

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For the Bardstown, Ky., first day of the 1c Foster stamp, Leopold Stokowski arranged a broadcast of "My Old Kentucky Home" while film stars such as Al Jolson, who had played characters in the movie version of Foster's life, were on hand for the ceremonies. The late Walter Connolly also was present.

When the Charles W. Eliot stamps had their first day sales at Cambridge, Mass., on March 28, Postmaster-General James A. Farley was present on the invitation of the Harvard University Stamp Club to present the first sheets of the stamps to Rev. Samuel A. Eliot and Charles W. Eliot, III, son and great-grandson respectively of the famous educator. The presentation ceremonies took place in Harvard's Eliot House, named after Charles W. Eliot, President of Harvard University from 1869 to 1909.



THE BEST SELLER

The ceremony was opened at 10:45 A. M. by Max D. Gaebler, President of the Harvard University Stamp Club, who introduced Mr. Farley to a gathering of the Eliot family, Boston and Cambridge postal officials, and members of the Harvard Stamp Club. In a short talk preceding the presentation Mr. Farley gave President Roosevelt the entire credit for having had the Famous Americans series issued. After receiving his specially framed sheet of stamps, Rev. Samuel A. Eliot, speaking for the Eliot family, thanked Mr. Farley for the philatelic recognition given his father. Then Jerome D. Greene, Secretary to the Corporation and Board of Overseers of Harvard University, closed the meeting by expressing the university's appreciation for the honoring of so many of her sons in the famous Americans series. Of the 32 men appearing in this series 13 (or 40.6%) hold Harvard degrees.

The *Chicago Daily News* of April 24 printed a picture of Frank D. Keyser, engineer since 1893 at Hull House, gazing with hat in hand at the photograph of Miss Addams which served as model for the stamp portrait.

When the 5c Frances Willard stamp went on sale at Evanston, Mrs. D. Leigh Colvin, ranking W. C. T. U. officer present, did not bother to buy just one sheet, but laid in a goodly stock of the stamps in a purchase personally handled by Postmaster George N. Taylor at the window marked "Willard Stamps Only" at the Evanston, Ill., post office.

Dr. Long's whiskered portrait drew criticism of the stamp, since the Jeffer-

son, Ga., and Capitol statues depict him without these adornments. The pictures selected were apparently gathered from the first source, and this proved in several instances to be unidentified clippings from magazines at the Library of Congress.

While the switching of denominations so that Booker Washington finally appeared on a 10c stamp drew some comment, the stamp's denomination actually proved one used frequently by Southern negroes. Swains, it is said, make a practice of sending their love-letters special delivery.

The stamps had a short period of sale at post offices, due principally to the small quantities supplied. They were sold indiscriminately and attracted much attention from folk who were not stamp collectors.

The demand at first for used sets was heavy, but prices had dropped, as well as demand, by June as considerable quantities were forthcoming from ordinary mail. The poor centering of the 5c and 10c however made it difficult for dealers to obtain quantities of superb sets. A ready sale for used sets of 35 once the two remaining sets are issued seems likely.

There is little evidence that unused sheets of these stamps are being laid aside in quantity, since most speculators are still trying to get rid of earlier issues.

## U. S. APPROVALS

Beginners as well as more advanced collectors can profit by my U. S. approvals. Fine stamps at the right prices. If you are interested, write for particulars and include two good references.

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## Postal Note Stamps

Canada "to stop the sale and use of postage stamps for remittances" has changed the Postal Note Stamps its issues and in future will term them "Postal Note Scrip." The stamps may be used to increase value of Postal Notes in sums not larger than 9c; to make remittances no larger than 9c; to pay fees for revalidating money orders or postal notes that have lapsed. The scrip is redeemable at post offices. They are not good for postage. Denominations are 1c, 2c and 5c.

• The first and only stamps of the northernmost of the Leeward Islands, Barbuda, were issued on July 13, 1922, when a post office was established on the island at Codrington. Prior to the advent of the post office the local curate bought stamps at Antigua and thus supplied the local need for them; the letters being carried to Antigua by the manager of the island.

• Britain now has in the centenary year of its cheap postage rates, the highest rates since January, 1840.

• The last German East Africa postal agency was closed on Sept. 3, 1917. Field post offices of the colonial defense forces were the last to use the colonial stamps, and then only a few weeks after the above date.

## Empire Stamps Cost More

Biggest news in British Empire stamps is that the pound has now been set at the official rate of \$4.02½ and this represents practically an overnight increase of 70c. Corresponding increase in value of the various colonial currencies tied to the pound resulted.

• With the dismissal of every remaining employee of the League of Nations the use of the special Swiss overprinted stamps will practically cease as only Secretary General Avenol is to remain.

## 22 3c At Agency

As a result of the Famous Americans series the Philatelic Agency's stock of commemoratives approaches an all time high. No less than 22 different 3c commemoratives are on the Agency's list. These range from the 3c Anthony of 1936 down through to the Wyoming stamp.

• During the use of the German inflation stamps of 1923, one post office used a very large cancelling device in order to more quickly cancel the large blocks of stamps used on mail.

# Complete U. S. Albums

The LINPRINT UNIT SYSTEM ALBUM PAGES provide you with a complete U. S. album for all stamps from 1847 through the year 1939. (At the end of this year, new pages for stamps issued during 1940 will be offered at low cost.) Read the list of page groups below and order only those that you wish to collect.

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# Philippine Notes

By PABLO M. ESPERIDION

Withdrawal of old stocks of Philippine stamps from sale has been set for July 31, it was learned by this correspondent from the postal authorities. Stamps to be withdrawn, as reported in this column before, are the old issues of the regular postage; old issues of the "O.B."; the Clipper stamps; the 75th Anniversary of the Birth of Dr. Jose Rizal; the Armacal (Manila-Madrid) and the Eucharistic Congress commemoratives.

The 20c Special Delivery, both the regular issue and overprinted "O.B.," however, will not be withdrawn from sale, according to the postal officials.

Due to the war developments in Europe, Philippine mail for England, Ireland, France, Switzerland, Spain, Portugal, Gibraltar, Morocco, Algeria and Tunisia, are now being routed via the United States. This announcement was made by the Bureau of Posts on June 18 and was put into effect immediately.

Mail for Germany and other countries under her control are coursed via Kobe for onward transmission on the Trans-Siberian Railway, the Bureau of Posts further announced.

The Manila office of the United States Life Insurance in New York donates all its business reply envelopes franked with 3c dues to the local Associated Charities.

A report received in Manila states that American stamps with fake "PHILIPPINES" overprints were going places in the New York market.

As reported in this column before, there are only 19 postal cancellation slogans issued by the Philippines, the first having been used on July 12, 1930. For guidance of collectors of this sideline, a check list is hereby given as furnished by the Director of Posts upon request of this correspondent:

Slogan	DateFirstUsed
1. Manila Trade Center of the Pacific	July 12, 1930
2. San Juan de Letran Tri - Centennial, Dec. 18-21, 1930	Nov. 11, 1930
3. Help Fight Tuberculosis, P.I. Anti-Tuberculosis Society	Sept. 17, 1931
4. Red Cross Roll Call—Join	Nov. 1, 1931
5. Remit Your Money by 1931 (No date Money Order given)	

6. Tenth Far Eastern Championship Games, Manila, May 12 - 19, 1934 ..... Apr. 24, 1933
7. National Book Week, Read Good Books ..... June 18, 1934
8. Buy National Charity Sweepstake Tickets ..... Aug. 1, 1934
9. Protect Home Industry, Buy Philippine Made Products ..... Aug. 17, 1934
10. 2nd National Congress of Filipino Business Men, Nov. 19-22, 1935 ..... Nov. 1, 1935
11. Pay Your Internal Revenue Taxes on Time ..... Jan. 5, 1936
12. International Eucharistic Congress, Feb. 3-7, 1937, Manila, Phil. Apr. 6, 1936
13. Avoid Accidents, Drive, Walk Carefully. Apr. (?) 1936
14. Safe Driving + Sane Walking = Accident Prevention ..... Apr. (?) 1936
15. Observe Child Health Day, September 1, 1936 ..... Aug. 1, 1936
16. Register Valuable 1936 (No date Mail given)
17. Make Every Day, Child Health Day ..... Aug. 1, 1937
18. 30th Anniv. University of the Philippines, 1908-1938 ..... June 17, 1938

19. Boy Scout Anniversary Period, Oct. 31st-Nov. 15th ..... Oct. 29, 1938  
Slogans Nos. 1, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 11, 13, 16 and 19, are still in use and are applied alternately. The rest are obsolete.

## Pitcairn Series To Appear Gradually

The Crown Agents for the British Colonies have announced that the 1d, 3d and 2/6 Pitcairn Island stamps have been dispatched to the colony and will be placed on sale upon arrival. The other values: 1/2d, 1 1/2d, 2d, 6d and 1/- are in process of manufacture and will be shipped later. First day covers of full sets will not therefore be possible. The stamps will be sold through the chief post office of the Fiji Islands at Suva; while first day covers will be serviced by the Chief Magistrate, Pitcairn Island. Stamps will have a face value in the British pound, currently stabilized at \$4.02 1/2. Mails for Pitcairn are very infrequent, so collectors should not delay in sending for covers. The stamps unused are being sold at Fiji since communications with Pitcairn are so uncertain.

• Tahoe Valley is a new post office established in Eldorado County, Calif.

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## Stamps In The News

## Canadian Territory Falls

There has been much talk of what might happen if Germany seized part of Canada, yet almost unnoticed this has happened! For the Nazi armies now control a portion of the Dominion. Stamp collectors will recall the Vimy Ridge commemoratives of France issued on July 26, 1936, when in the presence of veterans and high officials King Ed-



ward VIII, the new Governor of the Bahamas, unveiled the great memorial to Canada's war dead at Vimy Ridge where thousands of Canadians lie buried. France issued commemorative adhesives and souvenir cards, of a rather mediocre design, depicting the memorial which is (or was) 125 feet high. We say "was" since it has been charged, and denied, that Nazi bombers deliberately destroyed the monument which consumed ten years in erecting. As one feature of the services, France ceded to Canada the territory in which the memorial stands, so that this monument and the graves in Europe should be a part of Canada. Canada's lone overseas possession has thus fallen to the enemy of 1914 and 1940.

• Fiji's new 1 shilling 5d stamp is to meet the airmail rate from that colony for mails routed through Australia and New Zealand.

• New post offices ordered established include Marineland, Fla.; Lake Winola, Pa.; White City, Texas and Hingham, Wisc.

• A one-pie stamp for Burma is forecast by Reuter's. The stamp's equivalent in U. S. currency is about 1/20th of a cent.

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## Australian Forces Commemorated

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• The first two stamps listed for Berge-dorf were trial printings, specimens of which were submitted to the delegates of the Lubeck and Hamburg Senates for approval. They were not approved and the copies in philatelic hands are from the remainders which were sold to a dealer after Berge-dorf ceased to have its own stamps.

• Seapost office clerks are subject to ship discipline only to the same extent as passengers.

• The reason Scott's now recognize the French Colonial Exposition souvenir sheets is that a little over a thousand of each sheet were sent to each colony. The balance of the printings of 30,000 were sold at Paris at the Colonial Agency.

• The paintings reproduced on Venezuela's Paez and Santander commemoratives are by the artists Tovar and Salas respectively, the originals being located in the government palace at Caracas.

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## Editor's Notebook

**FIRST DAY COVERS** Columnists, particularly the anonymous ones, delight in feuding in print and often in their search for something to call names, ignore the truth and rush into print with some statements that are often a long way from the truth. One of these gentry in the *Stamp Wholesaler* recently attacked first day covers in this manner with statements so far from the truth that they cannot be ignored.

Our friend says he has never seen first days bring face value of the stamps at auction (my how he does not get around!) and points to a recent sale of a \$5 Presidential at \$2.40. Now anyone knows (or should) that auctioneers seldom have auction lots which will sell for less than \$1.00, for the simple reason they would lose money. Their costs of listing and handling such a lot would exceed their commission. It's also true few first day covers sell for more than 25c and the great majority of the most popular ones bring from 10c to 20c. Obviously no auctioneer is going to list these separately; so limits his listings to the higher priced items. Most auction

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lots of FDs are as a consequence composed of batches of covers and as such miscellaneous lots are shunned by collectors who don't want the duplicates, dealers are practically the only bidders, and dealers bid only as much as permits them a profit.

To point to a sale at less than face of a \$5 Prexy proves nothing unfavorable to FDCs. For one thing, that issue was a regular one, and most first day collectors collect only commemoratives. It cannot be overlooked that prices of covers, as in all things depend on supply and demand and comparatively large quantities were sent of this cover. About \$90,000 of these stamps were used on the first day and that's easily ten times the amount spent at the average first day. The issue is still less than two years old and in philately that's always a poor period in which to try to sell anything that recent. To pick an isolated sale of an item and comment upon it as if it were a typical instance, a common occurrence, is to put it mildly, misleading. It would be like saying that since there is only one copy of British Guiana No. 13 and it sold for \$32,500, that all stamps that are unique are also worth that sum. Anyone knows that is not the case.

Our gloomy friend shows how little he knows about first days when he states "in the good old days each FDC collector was content with one cover" and that "now every collector must send six or eight or more with the result there are always more covers than collectors." We can remember when first day collecting was really getting under way in 1926-29 and darn few senders of FDCs limited themselves to but one cover. If there has been a change, it is that fewer covers are sent per collector nowadays.

That many stamps have been torn off first day covers because the stamp was readily saleable as a used copy and the cover as such was not, doesn't prove what our Danish feudist implies. The 2c and 5c Hawaii of 1928, which he uses as "horrible examples" have never been scarce on FDC. The average of the covers sent at that time was unattractive, for cachets were uncommon, and neatness was as yet a virtue unrecognized. Consequently the covers had scant sales appeal when compared to more recent ones. Few collectors nowadays send covers on plain envelopes, which answers any criticism of their lack of buying interest in those early ones.

Most collectors of first day covers are forming their collections for pleasure, not profit. Naturally they would be pleased to see them become valuable, but common sense tells them that prices averaging from 10c to 25c per cover are about right and that permits a profit. These people get a great deal of pleasure sending these covers and as it is unquestionably one form of stamp collecting, we see no motive other than a mercenary one in anyone trying to tar first days as a "racket."

—R. R.

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## Balbo's Death Recalls Curious Set



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the only stamp issued to bear the General's name.

The flight to the Century of Progress and his other exploits made the general, one of the quadrumvirs of the Fascisti, very popular—too popular it is said to



suit his superior, Mussolini. From that time Balboa was governor of the African colony of Libya, far removed from Rome. He took a leading part in bombing out of existence the Ethiopian Empire.

## 156,000 Idaho Covers

Postal officials report 156,429 first day covers were sent from Boise, Idaho, on July 3, first day of issue of the Statehood Stamp. 307,461 copies of the new stamp were sold on the same date at Boise. The new stamp is in a light shade of purple and attracted favorable comment, though the design was not the one desired by certain prominent Idaho groups. The usual first day cancels were applied with customary care and neatness.

## C. E. Hussman

C. E. Hussman, a dealer established at St. Louis, Mo., for many years, died suddenly recently, we are advised, but no details are supplied. The name Hussman was an outstanding one for many years in philately and is especially well known to those who started as juniors, the firm advertising in magazines reaching juveniles.

\* In 1939 the Universal Postal Union received 2010 different types of postage items, including 1830 different postage stamps of all kinds, and 166 entires and 14 impressions of postage paid devices such as meters. In 1938 the U. P. U. distributed 2619 items in all, of which 2501 were stamps.

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\* The picture of the native warrior in the side panel of the 1/2d of the new Southern Rhodesia series is copied from a picture of a movie "extra" in the film "Rhodes of Africa."

## Farnham In New Quarters

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645	2.00	706	1.40	730	.72	C11	2.80
646	2.40	707	1.00	731	1.40	C12	3.40
647	5.50	708	3.25	732	1.45	C16	2.70
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(Dr. Crawford W. Long)  
A335—3c. bright red-violet  
(Luther Burbank)

- A336—5c. ultramarine  
(Dr. Walter Reed)  
A337—10c. dark brown  
(Jane Addams)

**Pony Express Commemorative.** Horizontal rectangular format, perf. 11x10½, unwmkd.:  
A353—3c. henna brown (Pony Express Rider)

**Pan-American Union Commemorative Issue.** Upright rectangular format, perf. 10½x11,

unwmkd.:

A354—3c. light violet (Three Graces)

**Documentary Revenue Stamps.** Types of 1917-33, overprinted in black in small condensed type in one line "SERIES 1940." Wmkd. double-lined "U.S.I.R." perf. 11:

- R26—60c. rose-pink  
R22—\$10. orange

**Stock Transfer Revenue Stamps.** Documentary Stamps, with the Series 1940 overprint, with the additional overprint in two lines "STOCK TRANSFER":

- R26—1c. rose-pink  
R22—\$20. olive-brown  
(Scott's Monthly Journal)

**ASCENSION—Color Changes.** Also new values added to set:

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(Stamp Collecting)

**BAHRAIN—King George VI Issue.** Under-noted values of India, overprinted "BAHRAIN," for use here:

- A82—1r. brown & plate  
A82—2r. dark brown & dark violet  
A82—5r. deep ultramarine & dark green

(Whitfield, King & Co.)

**BRITISH SOLOMON ISLANDS — Postage Due Stamps.** Forthcoming and due to appear soon, if not already in hands of collectors by the time these notes are read:

- 1d. bright green  
2d. red  
3d. brown  
4d. blue  
5d. sage green  
6d. purple  
1s. deep violet  
1s6d. bronze-green

(Gibbons' Stamp Monthly)

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No.	Set of	Sgle. Mint	Blk. of 4 Mint	Sgle. Used
42-44 Sphinx and Pyramids	(3)	\$...	\$...	\$.03
50-59 Pictorial	(10)	6.25		
61-69 Surcharged	(8)	4.75		
78-88 Commemorative	(11)	4.50		
92-98 King Faud	(7)	.50		
92-102 King Faud	(11)	6.00		
108-110 Agricultural Exh	(3)			.50
108-113 Agricultural Exh. Cp.	(6)	4.50	18.00	
115-117 Surcharged	(3)	.35		.40
118-120 Navigation	(3)	.60	2.40	.65
121-124 Port Faud Issue	(4)	98.00		
125-127 Cotton Cong. 1927	(3)	.45		.60
128-140 King Faud 1927-29	(13)	18.00		3.25
139 King Faud 500 Mills	(1)			1.25
141-143 Statistical Cong.	(3)	.35	1.40	.35
144-145 Medical Cong.	(3)	.20	.80	.20
146-149 Prince Farouk	(4)	.60	2.40	.70
160-162 Agricultural Cong.	(3)	.40		.40
163 Surcharged	(1)	.75		.20
166-169 Railway Cong.	(4)	3.50	14.00	3.50
170-174 Aviation Cong.	(5)	2.00	8.00	
175-186 Postal Union Cong.	(12)			2.50
175-188 Postal Union Cong. Cp.	(14)	40.00		16.00
193-197 King Faud 1936	(5)	.40		
193-198 King Faud 1936	(6)	.60	2.40	
199-203 Agricultural	(5)	.80	3.20	

204-206 Treaty	(3)	.50	2.00	.65
208-216 King Farouk Cor.	(9)	.50	2.00	
217-219 Capitulation	(3)	.30	1.20	.30
220-222 Ophthalmological	(3)	.30	1.20	.30
223-225 Cotton	(3)	.50		.40
226 Wedding	(1)	.75	3.00	.75
227-229 Radio	(3)	.50	2.00	.50
233 Birthday	(1)	15.00		
230-232 Leprosy	(3)	.40	1.60	.40
A-1 Airmail	(1)	1.00		
A1-2 Airmail	(2)	1.40	7.00	
A3-4 Airmail	(2)	3.25	16.25	
A5-14 Airmail	(10)	.75		
A5-18 Airmail	(14)	2.00		
A5-24 Airmail	(20)	8.50		7.50
A25 Airmail	(1)	.02	.08	.02
SD-1-2 Special Delivery	(2)	.55		.50
D30-35 Dues	(6)	.60		
O2-7 Official	(6)	.50		
O17-20 Official	(4)	5.50		
O21-26 Official	(6)	.70		
O31-37 Official	(7)	.90		
O31-38 Official	(8)	1.50		
O39-47 Official	(9)	1.35		
ARPI-2 Army	(2)	.15		
ARP3-4 Army	(2)	.11		

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Correction. From "Stamp Collecting" we learn that the issued colors of four of the stamps listed by us May 18th, were different from those noted by us at that time. The correct colors are noted below:

- 6L. blue
- 12L. dark brown
- 19L. blue
- 30L. plum

**CAMEROONS—Souvenir Sheet.** Scott's have at last seen fit to recognize and transfer from the tentative listings to the general catalog, the Expositions sheet issued in 1937. Sheets are 118x99mm., engraved, unwmkd., imperf., and contain one stamp of the A15 design of Cameroons. Therefore we list:

- A17a—3fr. red-orange & black (Allegory)
- (Scott's Monthly Journal)

**Type 1939.** Color change. Unwmkd., perf. 13:

- A21—1fr. chocolate

(R. Roberts)

**CANAL ZONE.** New design. Engraved, unwmkd., perf. 11. Small upright rectangular format:

- A61—30c. brown-black (Sidney Williamson)
- (Columbus Postage Stamp Co.)

**CHILE—Official Stamp.** Stamp of 1928-36, overprinted diagonally in red, reading up "OFICIAL." Wmkd. star in shield mult. perf. 14:

- A43—1P. green & black

(R. Roberts)

**COOK ISLANDS—New Zealand Postal Fiscal stamps of 1931-35** overprinted in red "COOK ISLANDS":

- PF5—3 Pound, light green
- PF5—5 Pound, dark blue

(R. Roberts)

**TOGO—Air Post Stamps.** Type of Dahomey, noted by us May 11th. Inscribed "Togo." Engraved, unwmkd., perf. 12½x12:

- AP1—1.90fr. ultramarine
- AP1—2.90fr. carmine
- AP1—4.50fr. deep green
- AP1—4.90fr. olive
- AP1—6.90fr. orange

(R. Roberts)

**TURKEY—Souvenir Sheet.** Single stamp noted below, in center of a sheet, which measures 90x120mm. Issued in commemoration of the 1st Anniversary of the death of Kemal Atatürk:

- 100ku. blue-black

**Postal Tax Stamps.** Upright rectangular format, typographed, unwmkd., perf. 12:

- 20p. blue-green & carmine (child)
- 1k. violet & carmine (same)
- 1k. blue & carmine (Nurse with child)
- 2½k. red lilac & carmine (same)
- 5k. violet & carmine (same)

(Gibbons' Stamp Monthly)

**UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA—New Plates.** Design, size of stamp, perforation, watermark, etc., same as before. Photogravure printing. Changes as noted:

- 3d. deep blue. New plate and new color. Shading of clouds and sky much lighter and fainter.
- 4d. deep brown. Retouched plate and shade. More lines of shading in sky and floral ornaments.
- 6d. Very deep red-orange. Retouched plate and shade. Deeper lines in background and colored all over.

(R. Roberts)

**URUGUAY—Type of 1937.** Lithographed, unwmkd., perf. 12½:

- A135—5m. light brown
- A135—5c. blue-green

(H. G. Spanton)

**WALLIS AND FUTUNA ISLANDS.** Stamps of New Caledonia, noted previously, overprinted in black in three lines "ILES WALLIS ET FUTUNA"; unwmkd., perf. 14x13½:

- A20—60c. blue & carmine
- A21—1fr. red & green
- A21—1.40fr. blue & orange
- A21—1.60fr. green & brown
- A21—2.60fr. brown & tan

(R. Roberts)

## R. P. O. Notes

Recent changes ordered in Railway Post Offices are as follows: As forecast, the Cleveland & Wheeling RPO is ordered changed to Akron & Wheeling. The Cincinnati & Jacksonville RPO which was found with the Division abbreviations of N(North), M(Middle) and S (South), has been changed to three new offices: Cincinnati & Chattanooga, Chattanooga & Atlanta, and Atlanta, Valdosta & Jacksonville. Norfolk & Charleston has been changed to two divisions, East and West, and new cancels with "E. D." and "W. D." can be expected.

Offices discontinued include: Fayette & Okmulgee; Spring Valley & N. Y.; Villisca & St. Joseph; Phalanx Station & Dillonvale; Wishram & Bend; and Denver & Ft. Worth, M. D.

Card from last run, May 31, of Phalanx Station & Dillonvale thanks to Wm. G. Koelln. This was a surprise as there had been no publicity the passenger train was to be discontinued on this N. Y. C. branch line in Ohio. This was a gas-electric motor car.

When we offered in our last column to mail covers on RPOs operating through Columbus, we didn't expect to send any on train wrecks. Those of you whose covers were postmarked Cleveland & Columbus RPO, June 8, have covers from a train which was involved in a wreck (fortunately a minor one) in the Columbus yards. A switch thrown the wrong way caused the train to plow at low speed into a coal train on a parallel track. Damage to the passenger train was confined solely to one side of engine and tender and a dent in the corner of postal car. We don't expect to be that lucky again.

New contracts were recently let to the Alaska Steamship Co. of Seattle, Wash., for carrying mails incident to the Seattle & Seward RPO and Seattle & Skagway RPO. Both of these offices are carried in steamboats, the contracting company being required to furnish quarters for the postal clerk service and supply clerks with first-class accommodations, their board and lodging. The Seattle & Skagway route runs via Ketchikan, Wrangell, Petersburg, Juneau, Haines, and sometimes Sitka, to Skagway from April to September. The Seattle & Seward RPO operates via practically the same points plus Yakutat, Cordova and Valdez to Seward, but in the months of September to April only. Mails are exchanged with these post offices and any others which may be touched by the vessels as a result of unscheduled stops. Passengers on shipboard may post their mail at the RPO room.

"Boat Lines of the Railway Mail Service" is the title of a short article in the *July American Philatelist* by Richard S.

Clover, Chairman of the Postal Marking Unit of the A. P. S. Mr. Clover lists all the known RPOs that have operated on boats. The offices now believed to be in operation include: Alton Bay & Merry-mount (N. H.), Asquam Lake (N. H.), Baltimore & West Point (Md.-Va.), Bellingham & Anacortes (N. H.), Claremont & Hopewell (Va.), Cordova & Kodiak (Alaska), Dawson & Nenana (Alaska), Inlet & Old Forge (N. Y.), Juneau & Sitka (Alaska), Lake Winnepissaukee (N. H.), Nenana & St. Michaels (Alaska), Nenana & Eagle (Alaska), Seattle & Seward (Alaska), Truckee & Lake Tahoe (Calif.). The last named operates partly by rail. Mention has been made of the Lake Winnepissaukee office, which is believed to have changed its name. Some of these offices are summer ones only, so readers should watch for them on vacation mail.

From some unidentified reader comes a card mailed on car 1405 of the Pacific Electric Ry., a traction line. Cancel is "L. A. & Redondo Bch. R. P. O. Tr. 21-22." Many Californians have posted mail on this car.

It is reported that negotiations are already completed for the sale of three RPO trolley cars of the Indiana R.R. to the Illinois Terminal R.R. The Indiana company still operates its Fort Wayne & Newcastle route but unconfirmed advices state the line may be abandoned on or about August 1. Since there are no RPO routes on the I. T. lines, it is assumed the cars will be remodeled for other uses.

• During one of London's recent black-outs, a lady went to post a letter in a pillar-box. She put the missive inside the opening but encountered difficulty in getting it to drop down inside. A smothered voice with a deep Scottish burr eventually said, "You can poot it in ma mouth, but you canna forse it doon ma throat."—*Asia Stamp Journal*.

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## Philatelic Label Catalog

(continued from page 588)

### Precancel Stamp Society

- 1—First National Precancel Stamp Exhibit, Chicago, 1928. Red on white.  $1\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{2}$  inch
- 2—Seventh Annual Convention, Kansas City, Sept. 5-7, (?). Black on orange.  $3 \times 2$  inch
- 3—Eighth Annual, Cleveland, Sept. 4-6 (?). Blue on white.  $2\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{1}{2}$  inch
- 5—Tenth Annual, Berkeley, Aug. 29, to Sept. 1, 1932. Blue on white.  $1\frac{1}{2} \times 3$  inch
- 6—Eleventh Annual, Indianapolis, Aug. 28-31, 1933. Blue on white.  $1\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{1}{2}$  inch
- 7—Same, red on white
- 8—Twelfth Annual, Philadelphia, Aug. 20-23, 1934. Black on white.  $2 \times 3\frac{1}{2}$  inch
- 9—Thirteenth Annual, Chicago, Aug. 19-22, 1935. "Hotel Sherman." Black and orange on white.  $2\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{1}{2}$  inch
- 10—Same, without month dates and "Hotel Sherman"
- 11—Invitation Label to Hartford, 1936. Black on white.  $1\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{2}$  inch
- 12—Convention, Hartford, 1936. Blue on white.  $1\frac{1}{2} \times 2$  inch
- 13—Invitation label, Twin Cities, 1937. Red on white.  $2 \times 2$  inch
- 14—Same, blue on white
- 15—Convention, Twin Cities, Aug. 20-23, (1937). Blue on white.  $1\frac{1}{2} \times 2$  inch
- 16—Invitation label, 1938. St. Louis. Bear stamp overprinted "St. Louis, Mo." Black and red on blue.  $1\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{2}$  inch
- 17—Die Cut, Seal, reverse plate. St. Louis, Sept. 1-4, 1938. Blue on white. 2 inch diameter
- 18—Sixteenth Annual, souvenir sheet, engraved. Bear stamp with precancel overprint. Sept. 1-4, 1938. Orange and black on white.  $2\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{2}$  inch
- 19—Invitation label, Boston, 1939. Double line frame. Red on white.  $1\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{2}$  inch
- 20—Same wording as above, single lined frame. Red on white.  $1\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{2}$  inch
- 21—Convention, Baltimore, Aug. 18-21, 1939. Blue on white.  $1\frac{1}{2} \times 2$  inch
- 22—"Columbus—in 1940—P.S.S. Convention." Red bars, blue letters. "COLUMBUS" plain gothic type.  $1\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{1}{2}$  inch
- 23—Same, "COLUMBUS" wide letters with serifs.  $1\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{1}{2}$  inch
- 24—Same, "COLUMBUS" in narrow letters with serifs.  $1\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{1}{2}$  inch
- 25—Same as No. 22, all in green
- 26—Same as No. 23, all in green
- 27—Same as No. 24, all in green
- 28—Similar to No. 22 to 27, except red bars are bleed off the label at top and bottom. Red and blue on white.  $1\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{1}{2}$  inch

### Southern Philatelic Association

- 1—Society Seal, red on white, overprinted, "Vote for W. I. Mitchell for President."  $1\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{1}{2}$  inch
- 2—Same, red on orange, "Vote for B. J. Egan for Secretary."  $1\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{1}{2}$  inch
- 3—Same, red on green, "Vote for J. E. Guest for Sales Manager."  $1\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{1}{2}$  inch

### Society of Philatelic Americans

- 1—Convention, Baltimore, Aug. 10-12, 1925. Blue and red on white.  $2\frac{1}{2} \times 2$  inch
- 2—S. P. A., Philadelphia, Aug. 23-25, 1934. Green on white.  $2\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{1}{2}$  inch
- 3—Same, red on white
- 4—Same, blue on white
- 5—Convention, St. Louis, Aug. 1935. Red on white.  $2 \times 2$  inch
- 6—Convention souvenir sheet, Aug. 22-25, 1935. Black on white.  $3\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$  inch
- 7—42nd Annual, Cincinnati, Aug. 20-22, 1936. Advance label. Red on white.  $2 \times 2\frac{1}{2}$  inch
- 8—Same, blue on white
- 9—42nd Annual, Cincinnati, Aug. 20-22, 1936. Souvenir sheet, brown on white card.  $3\frac{1}{2} \times 4$  inch
- 10—43rd Convention, Asheville, Aug. 26-28, 1937. Blue on buff.  $1\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{1}{2}$  inch
- 11—Same, red on buff
- 12—Convention, advance label, Chicago, Aug. 25-27, 1938. Black on gold.  $2\frac{1}{2} \times 2$  inch

- 13—Convention, Chicago, Aug. 25-27, 1938. Engraved, perforated. Red and blue on white.  $2\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{2}$  inch
- 14—Advance Label, 46th Annual, Cleveland-Canton, Aug. 29, Sept. 1, 1940. Black on white.  $2 \times 2$  inch
- 15—Same, black on orange
- 16—Same, purple on orange
- 17—Same, red on orange
- 18—Same, green on orange

### United Stamp Societies

- 1—14th Annual, Boston, May 30, 1932. Blue on white, perforated.  $3\frac{1}{2} \times 3$  inch

### Universal Stamp Association

- 1—Fifth Annual, Champaign, Ill., Aug. 31, Sept. 1-2, 1935. Blue on white.  $3 \times 2$  inch
- 2—Sixth Annual, Utica, N. Y., Sept. 5-7, 1936. Sheets of six identical stamps. Green on orange.  $5\frac{1}{2} \times 3$  inch

### Visiting Firemen of Philately

- 1—Alarm at Beaver Falls, April 15-16, 1939. Black and red on white.  $3\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{2}$  inch

### World-Wide Philatelic Convention

- 1—(First) Convention, Tulsa, Okla., May 17-21, 1939. "Will Rogers" Brown and red on white, perforated stamp.  $1\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{1}{2}$  inch
- 2—Second Convention, Detroit, Oct. 3-6, 1940. (Original date). Black on green, round cornered.  $2\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{2}$  inch
- 3—"Stop" and "Go" spots in color, Oct. 24-27, 1940. "NHM" in small ornament in lower right corner. Blue and black on white.  $2\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{1}{2}$  inch
- 4—Same as No. 3, but with Coat of Arms topped with crown in lower right corner. Orange and black on white
- 5—Same as No. 4, Coat of Arms in left corner
- 6—Second World-Wide Phil. Convention, Detroit, Oct. 24-27, 1940. Coat of Arms and crown at top, large orange spot in center. Orange and black on yellow.  $2 \times 1\frac{1}{2}$  inch

## Educational Feature Scheduled

Heinz Hoffman and other members of the Wolverine Stamp Club of Detroit are preparing an elaborate display on the subject "How to Collect Stamps" for entry in World Wide Philatelic Exhibition in that city next October. Mr. Hoffman will combine photography and stamps for this educational exhibit which the club claims is the "first attempt of any philatelic exhibition to be instructional"—a claim certain to be challenged.

## Delaware and Ratification Sold Out

On July 1 the Philatelic Agency removed from the list of stamps on sale, the 3c 1938 Swedish-Finnish Tercentenary (Delaware) and 3c 1938 Ratification of the Constitution stamps. Total quantities of these stamps issued was not announced.

• The first stamp (100 reis) of the Brazilian Republic was issued on January 20, 1890, to replace the stamps of the empire. The final denomination of the first series, the 700 reis, did not appear until December of the following year.

## Sheets Not To Be Broken

The July 8 Postal Bulletin contained the following instructions to postal employees regarding the practice of breaking sheets to obtain plate number blocks to meet philatelic requests:

### POSTAGE STAMPS IN MAIN POST OFFICE STOCK

The attention of the Department has been called to the irregular practice that has developed at some post offices in the mutilating of sheets of stamps in the main stock by the removal of plate number blocks and other desired specimens therefrom for sale to stamp collectors. Such procedure is unauthorized and cannot be sanctioned. To facilitate the accounting in the future, postmasters are hereby directed to see that the main stock of stamp supplies is held intact in full sheets and banded packages, until needed for use in the filling of requisitions from stamp clerks and superintendents of stations.

In like manner, it is expected that the stamp stocks of window clerks shall be retained in full sheets until needed for regular sale purposes. It is not permissible for stamp clerks to remove plate number blocks in advance from a large number of sheets for the benefit of individual purchasers. Plate blocks may, however, be laid aside, as sheets are broken for regular sales purposes, for the accommodation of local collectors, but distribution thereof must be made on an equitable basis.

Since each sheet of stamps bears only one plate number, it would be obviously impossible to furnish a plate number with every purchase of commemorative stamps for collection use. So far as these requests cannot be met from the plate number blocks that accumulate in the regular course of business, applicants can reasonably be expected to purchase full sheets.

It is the desire of the Department that postmasters and window clerks shall cooperate with local stamp collectors in supplying stamps of good quality needed for philatelic purposes so far as conditions will permit, but applicants for service beyond the scope of a post office to furnish should be referred to the Philatelic Agency, which was established to supplement the stamp facilities offered by local post offices. An itemized list of the various kinds of stamps available will be supplied to collectors on receipt of a postal card request addressed to the Philatelic Agency, Washington, D. C.

RAMSEY S. BLACK,

Third Assistant Postmaster General.

• A pastor, exceptionally fond of figures of speech, was making a funeral oration over the remains of a departed stamp collector. "My dear friends," the pastor began in a lachrymose voice, "we have before us only the shell of the departed. The nut is gone."—*Asia Stamp Journal*.

• Hanover used a red gum on its first issues as a hindrance to counterfeiters.



# BROADWAY CHATTER

B Y B I S T A N D E R

For the third week in a row no European shipments have been received in New York. As a result there is a distinct shortage of recent new issues. With Hitler in control of the European Continent and new restrictions imposed on the sending of stamps, I doubt if there will be much merchandising forthcoming in the near future.

Several weeks ago I mentioned the new issue price of English Colonial stamps was based upon fluctuation of the pound sterling. This fact is again shown since some dealers advertised the recent Southern Rhodesia 50th anniversary set at prices quoted when the pound was selling at \$3.20. These dealers found that they had to pay \$4.00 for the pound without commission and insurance and as a result find themselves very much in the "hole."

Many dealers wondered if it would be worth their while to cable to France to

secure the 1940 New York World's Fair stamp, but with the change of governments and new currency restrictions in France, they decided that it wouldn't pay to spend any money on cables as it is very improbable that the original sources of supply would be reached. As yet the only shipment received in New York on these stamps was the one I mentioned three weeks ago, and the few dealers who received this shipment have been run ragged trying to fill their orders.

At the recent Uptown auction sale, the high prices realized didn't surprise me in the least, as Mr. Stryker always manages to secure U. S. stamps in the finest possible condition.

Another auction house that always comes up with some mighty fine material is M. Ohlman. Mr. Ohlman's 242nd sale is no exception, this sale has a combination of very fine U. S. and foreign material.

## Agency Sales Decline

Sales at the Philatelic Agency for the fiscal year of July 1, 1939-June 30, 1940, declined \$211,346.19 from the total sales of the previous year. Sales for the current fiscal year just ended totalled \$1,100,670.29, representing 110,704 individual orders for stamps. The number of orders had declined but slightly, as 114,828 had been filled in the previous fiscal year. Postmaster General Farley in announcing the sales totals commented that these figures do not represent the complete sales of stamps to collectors since the larger post offices now maintain their own philatelic windows and he was further quoted as estimating "that several million dollars' worth of stamps" were sold through these windows during the past year. Philatelic circles attribute the decline in sales of the Washington Agency to the drop in speculative buying from the peak years of 1933-37. The 1939 figures had shown a drop of nearly 35,000 orders and some \$373,000 in sales from the 1937-38 fiscal year totals.

• A post office will be re-established on the destroyer Goldsborough, out of commission for many years.

### MINT NEW ISSUES

Argentina-Centennial Min. Sheet	\$.50
Bulgaria-Centennial	.40
Egypt-Little Princess	.08
Greece-Balkan Entente	.25
Portugal-Independence	.15
Roumania-Charity	.12
Southern Rhodesia-50th Anniversary	.75
Turkey-Balkan Entente	.24
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## June Plate Numbers

The new postage stamp plates manufactured by the Bureau of Engraving and Printing during June consisted solely of the Idaho stamp and the Inventors. All are rotary press Electric Eye Convertible plates. They are as follows: 3c Idaho 50th anniversary of statehood 22615-16-17-18, 200 subject; 1c Eli Whitney, 22619-20-21; 2c Samuel F. B. Morse, 22622-23-24; 3c Cyrus Hall McCormick, 22625-26-27; 5c Elias Howe, 22628-29-30; 10c Alexander Graham Bell, 22631-32-33. All the Famous are usual 280 subject plates.

The following plates went to press during June for the first time: 1c Gilbert Stuart, Artists, 22587-88; 2c James A. McNeill Whistler, Artists, 22602-03; 1½c Martha Washington, Presidential series, sidewise coil, 22227-28; 2c John Adams Presidential, ordinary sheet stamp, electric eye, 22319-20, 22420-21; 3c Jefferson, Presidential, booklet panes, 22170-71; 3c Jefferson, Presidential, ordinary sheet stamps, 22462-63; 3c Idaho, 22615-16-17-18.

• Among recent applicants for membership in the American Philatelic Society is Joao M. Da Cunha, proprietor and general treasurer of the Mozambique Company, the company whose colorful pictorials have been among best sellers for many years.

• The new Tchaikowsky commemoratives of Russia include in the design bars from his Sixth Symphony as well as the opera "Eugene Onegin."

## Ohio State Tax Stamp Fraud

Unlike other states Ohio collects its sales tax by stamps which are torn in two parts, one of which is given the customer as a receipt. They are not adhesives. To encourage people to insist on getting the receipt and thus make sure stamps are used the state pays \$3.00 for each \$100 face value of these used portions returned to the State Treasurer. Three persons were recently indicted after they had allegedly cashed a second time some thousands of dollars of the stamps. State officials are also probing the reported forging of state tax stamps, but no public statements have been made.

• A copy of the rare "PB" re-entry on the Penny Black brought 110 pounds at a recent sale of a specialized collection of these in London.

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## WHOLESALE

1940 WHOLESALE CATALOGUE free. Eighty pages. Empire Stamp, Dept. 10, Toronto, Canada. (tf\*)

## Dealers' Publications

The war has made it necessary for A. E. Pade to change some prices and other listings in his Catalog No. 14 and these have been printed in a supplement of four pages which includes many offers in used airmail stamps. Free upon request of course if you write him at 1639 Stout St., Denver, Colo.

A new summer Wholesale Price List has appeared from Billings Stamp Co., 151-14-85th Ave., Jamaica, N. Y. It lists singles and sets from many countries, featuring many unusual items.

# PRECANCEL STAMP NEWS

Send information on new issues and notes of interest to  
K. M. GIERHART, BALTIMORE, OHIO

## THE QUESTION

The question of the hour seems to be about the pricing of overprints on the Bureau Prints. The thing seems to divide itself into two parts or phases. Shall the overprints be priced as a class or shall separate prices be put on separate overprints? I think the thing right now is still a little green to be picked but the publishers of the catalog want to come to some decision in the forthcoming catalog in August. Right now it seems that the obvious thing to do is to price the overprints generally, that is, a discount for those items with the overprints. There will be some dealers who will not like this but generally the collectors' wishes will prevail and that is the deciding factor. There are some overprints that seem to be better than the general run of undecipherable smudging that is often found and perhaps in time to come these can be segregated and priced. The Cleveland NEA and the Montgomery Ward items from Albany, N. Y., are shining examples. There are and will be other items too that will be outstanding. It would be foolish to class this material with the ordinary smudgy rubber hand-stamp overprint. It is this point of view that the publishers would like to hear from the collectors as to their views and ideas. So if you feel like writing me or better still write Hoover Bros., the publishers, your ideas about pricing of overprints on bureaus.

## HOLDOUTS

E. S. Thresher, a writer in the *Precancel Bee*, keeps a check on the bureau items ordered and their appearance. He has noted that the 4½c Milwaukee ordered in September, 1938, has never appeared. The next longest holdout is the ¼c Sioux Falls. This one has the boys worried for they can't figure how an office that size could hold onto a half million stamps with their limited credit and are afraid they have shipped them back. Two other holdouts are both 1½c ords. Fort Worth and Joplin are the two cities. The above are all Presidentials. The Champ in the past issue is the 17c Pittsburgh, almost six years and no signs yet. Just what happened to these is still a mystery.

## BUREAU PRINTS AS INVESTMENT

Mr. E. T. Goodwin, writing in the July issue of the *PRECANCEL FORUM*, says that he has noted recently where commentators have questioned Bureau Prints as an investment but had failed to say just which kind of stamps would be good investment. Here is Mr. Goodwin's own comment:

"I have recently sold two coil pairs for \$90.00 that cost me about 60c ten years ago. I sold USA commemoratives at face that I bought about same time. Also I sold two collections at a fair price. No one can expect ALL Bureos to show a big

profit but if one collects all, some of them will be good and all should show a fair profit, though they may not sell into the hundred dollar class. Bear in mind you are paying 2 to 7 times face when you get them. I had rather risk my money on a 500 thousand issue stamp sold locally than a 75 million issue stamp sold everywhere."

## NOTES

There will be a radio broadcast again this year just previous to the convention. I will announce date and time schedules later on so you won't forget about it when the time comes.—C. E. Bell of Wellsville, O., sends a 1c Prexy from the home town precancelled in the U-121 type. This stamp reminded me of the colorful items that used to come out of Wellsville in the old U-53 handstamp. Purples, Violets and Reds, ever see any of them?—Alvin Kraus from up Wisconsin way sends me a couple of BLACK OFFICIAL SEALS to look over. They were precancelled Ashland, Wis., U-68 type in purple ink. What would a Scott's Nos. collector give for one of these?—Stanley Brown of North Lewisburg tells me the home town has used the 1c Prexy regular, 1c Horace Mann, 1c Audubon, 1c Foster. Mr. Brown has a 2c Berea, Ohio, error.

## What They Say

"... they look like false faces surrounded by a mess of worms"—description of early Afghan stamps in Brooklyn Edison Club's "PABEC" magazine.

"Someone remarked that the 'Three Graces' on the U. S. Pan-American Issue looked like three old women after an all night spree!" — Empire Stamp Company's "Philatopic Monthly."

"... to this I would like to say how much I appreciate your friendly criticism, especially those who think that there are too few 'varieties'; this I think is the highest form of flattery." — John Ash, Australian Stamp and Note Printer upon retirement.

"A Bureau Print is a stamp surcharged at time of manufacture with the name of the city of use, to avoid the need for cancelling it."—The *Precancel Bee* tries its hand at definitions!

"The learned men who are still looking for the 'Missing Link' need look no longer. The 'Missing Link' or rather two of them were found and immediately made to serve a useful purpose, holding together Linn's Weekly Stamp News." — Joseph Stefaniak, Buffalo, N. Y.

"This custom of writing a price or a perforation or a catalog number on the back of a precancel in pencil is just a form of mutilating the stamp, one step only less bad than clipping off its perforation."—*Precancel Bee*.

## A. P. S. Convention Plans

The *American Philatelist*, official journal of the American Philatelic Society, contains in the current number a resume of plans and program for the coming A. P. S. Convention at Buffalo, N. Y., August 12 to 16 in the Hotel Statler. Attempts are being made to make this a "streamlined" convention by reducing the convention sessions dealing with reports to a minimum and by having reports printed and distributed to attendants in advance so that floor discussion will be brief.

Among topics to be discussed will be that of a permanent home for the society; a nation-wide program for junior activities; the Society taking the lead in steps to have all repaired stamps indelibly marked; appointment of a field secretary; publication of a philatelic encyclopedia; establishment of a national philatelic museum; a code of ethics for collectors; and many others. Papers upon controversial subjects will be read each morning at the sessions, with plenty of opportunity for debate.

The exhibition will contain about 500 frames and the star entry so far obtained is a large part of the famed 3c 1851 cover collection of the leading authority on those stamps, Dr. Carroll Chase. Entry fee is one dollar per frame and applications are being taken by Adolph Steeg, 1048 Genesee St., Buffalo. Medals and certificates will be awarded winners in 33 classifications.

Convention entertainment features will include tours of the Buffalo district, notably a dinner dance at the General Brock Hotel roof overlooking the illuminated Niagara Falls. An airplane trip is also on the schedule. On Wednesday evening, Eugene Klein will conduct an auction which includes a collection of over 300 90c 1869. Catalogs may be obtained by writing him at 212 S. 13th St., Philadelphia, Pa.

The banquet will take place on Thursday evening, program not yet being completed. The next day the convention will adjourn with a farewell luncheon at the Statler. Hotel reservations are being handled by Robert H. Zahm, 134 Eagle St., Buffalo. Buffalo stamp clubs are preparing a warm welcome for attendants.

## First Day Calendar

No others of the Famous Americans Series will appear until next September 5. For schedule of the 10 stamps remaining to be issued see the calendar in June 8 *LINN'S*. Collectors are requested not to send covers to postmasters earlier than 30 days prior to the first day.

Coronado Commemorative—This proposed issue has not been officially announced.

## PRECANCELS

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## The Answer Is . . .

"Are 3c stamped envelopes which have the color on the inside of the envelope and the embossed stamp design colorless on the outside, rare?" With color on the back, or no color at all, these stamped envelope errors and freaks are of very little value. Dealers sell them for 5c to 25c, with the lowest quotation being for envelopes that are commonest, such as 2c and 3c. The envelopes with colorless embossed design only are termed "albinos" and are found frequently, due to manner of manufacture and the frequent failure of inspectors to detect them before envelopes are packed. All sorts of envelope freaks are frequently found, and despite their low value are of interest to many collectors.

"Where may I obtain the addresses of the ships of the U. S. battle fleet which have post offices; also marine and aircraft post offices?" All the post offices on naval vessels and shore stations are with very few exceptions branches of the New York City post office and the list of these offices may be found under that city in the current U. S. Post Office Guide which may be examined upon request at any post office, or a copy may be obtained for \$2 from the Supt. of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington. This list is never up to date as there are frequent changes among the navy offices and the monthly supplements must be checked. For a list of all naval vessels, the Supt. of Documents sells for 75c the Navy Directory, which contains this data, but does not indicate which ones have post offices. However, practically every ship in commission with exception of such small vessels as tugs, have a post office. Upon request the New York postmaster will send you a mimeographed list of the naval vessel branches of his office, but be sure to send 3c for postage.

An inquiry to Linprint asks if the "Complete U. S. Albums" advertised recently on the back page include REAL stamps. We hasten to state for the benefit of this reader and any other that LINPRINT does not deal in stamps and the prices for albums and pages are for just those, no stamps. The albums contain ruled spaces for YOU to mount stamps.

"What are 'Imperfs'?" Stamps issued without perforations are termed "imperforated" and "imperfs" is just a contraction of that word. A "block of 5c National Parks stamps imperforate" may also be described as "a block of 5c Parks imperfs."

"What are 'mints'?" Many collectors refer to mint stamps simply as "mints." A mint stamp is an unused stamp in the identical condition in which it was issued. The stamp could be terribly centered, but still would be mint. A stamp which

normally however has gum and has had the gum removed, can no longer be termed mint. Some countries such as Nicaragua, due to climate, issue stamps without gum, and such stamps are properly termed mint.

A reader inquires why he has found a 3c Idaho stamp with cancellation of Clay Center, Kansas, dated July 3, though the stamp was supposed to be issued on the first day only at Boise, Idaho. Every time a new stamp is printed and supplies of it are sent to post offices in advance of the first day date, some offices where orders either are not read or understood, place the stamps on sale. Such unauthorized releases have no standing in philately and are worth very little.

"I have a copy of Mauritius No. 47 overprinted in block letters 'CANCELLED' but the stamp still has the gum. What is this?" Remnants of stamps were treated in this manner when disposed and such specimens are worth only a fraction of normal copies.

"What is the error on the 4c Columbian?" One sheet of the 4c stamp was found in the Cleveland post office by a collector and saved because it was a decided blue (very much like the 1c) instead of ultramarine. Whether this should be classified as an error has been debated, some claiming it deserves no more recognition than any other unusual shade.

# Coronado?



Although there has been much talk, the government has not yet definitely announced that there will be a Coronado stamp. In spite of this we are receiving orders for envelopes for such a stamp. Because of this we have had a cachet designed and have printed a small supply of envelopes with which we are filling such orders. If you are too nervous to wait you can order now and if the stamp does not come you can throw away your envelopes, we can not accept return of them.

For those who have a subscription envelope order with us we will send Coronado envelopes only after there has been a definite announcement by the Government that a Coronado Stamp will be issued.

An illustration of our Coronado Cachet is shown at the left.

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